TOWN OF DAVIE TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM/PHONE: Thomas J. Willi, Town Administrator

PREPARED BY: Russell C. Muniz, CMC, Town Clerk

SUBJECT: Resolution

AFFECTED DISTRICT: Townwide

TITLE OF AGENDA ITEM: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA SUPPORTING COMPLETION OF THE BROWARD COUNTY SECONDARY CANAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT BY 2011 AS PART OF THE COMPREHENSIVE EVERGLADES RESTORATION PLAN; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

REPORT IN BRIEF: The Water Resources Development Act, approved by Congress in 2000, authorized the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Program (CERP) as the framework for restoration and preservation of the South Florida ecosystem. The CERP identifies secondary canal improvements as a priority water resource strategy for Broward County and Everglades restoration. Recent changes in the Master Implementation Sequencing Plan for CERP projects indicate that completion of the Broward County Secondary Canal Improvement Project will be done in 2014, 3 years after other Broward County CERP projects.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS: N/A

CONCURRENCES: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

Has request been budgeted?

If yes, expected cost: \$

Account Name:

If no, amount needed: \$

What account will funds be appropriated from:

Additional Comments:

RECOMMENDATION(S): Motion to approve resolution.

Attachment(s): Draft Resolution from Broward County

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WHEREAS, the Water Resources Development Act authorized the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Program (CERP) as the framework for restoration and preservation of the South Florida ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, the CERP identifies secondary canal improvements as a priority water resource strategy for Broward County and Everglades restoration; and

WHEREAS, the County-wide Integrated Water Resource Plan promotes secondary canal improvements to increase freshwater storage, rehydrate urban wetlands, prevent saltwater intrusion, raise groundwater levels to reduce Everglades seepage, and recharge wellfields; and

WHEREAS, recent changes in the Master Implementation Sequencing Plan for CERP projects indicate that completion of the Secondary Canal Improvement Project will be done in 2014, 3 years after other Broward County CERP projects; and

WHEREAS, implementation of the Secondary Canal Improvement Project as part of the CERP will enhance the restoration benefits of other CERP projects such as the C-9 and C-11 canals by reducing seepage from the Everglades, improving urban water management, and reducing the urban demand on the Everglades.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA:

<u>SECTION 1.</u> The Town of Davie fully supports Broward County's efforts urging completion of the Broward County Secondary Canal Improvement Project by 2011.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> The Town of Davie urges the United States Army Corps of Engineers and the South Florida Water Management District to expedite construction of the Broward County Secondary Canal Improvement Project for completion by 2011 to maximize the restoration benefits of other Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan projects.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> The Town Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of the executed resolution to the Broward County Board of County Commissioners, the United States Army Corps of Engineers, and the South Florida Water Management District.

| SECTION 4. This resolution shall adoption. | take effect immediately upon its passage and |
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| PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS | DAY OF, 2004. |
| | MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER |
| ATTEST: | |
| TOWN CLERK | |
| APPROVED THISDAY OF | |

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